

Animal welfare issues are important to us, and in furtherance of animal welfare, we ask that the Environment Committee to:

- 1) --**Support HB 5416 (Section 2)**: Would ban gestation crates ([www.humanesociety.org/ct](http://www.humanesociety.org/ct)).
- 2) --**Oppose HB 5080**, which would allow Sunday hunting. We oppose Sunday hunting.
- 3) --**S.B. 445, the “puppy mill bill”**: **Support, but with additional request** to include requirements that  
1) all new pet shops shall not sell commercially-bred dogs AND 2) for current pet shops, a phase-out of the sale of commercially-bred dogs. This additional inclusion is vital to combat the puppy mill trade.

Thank you in advance for your compassion.

Sincerely,  
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